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In re the Application of:

CHOW, Mina, et al.

Serial No.: 10/676,616

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For: DEFLECTABLE CATHETER
ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF MAKING
SAME

Group Art Unit: 3767

Examiner: Gray, Phillip A.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

With regard to the Restriction Requirement mailed 19 June 2006, please take the following action.

Restriction requirement

The examiner has identified, in his view, eight separate and distinct inventions within the claims of the above-identified patent application, namely:

Group I. Claims 1-28, 115-122, 127, 128, 132 and 133, drawn to a deflectable catheter comprising a tendon located off-center, classified in Class 604, Subclass 093.010 or 95.04;

Group II. Claims 29-56 and 134, drawn to a deflectable catheter comprising a needle and needle tube, classified in Class 604, Subclass 093.010;

Group III. Claims 57-64, 135 and 136, drawn to a catheter with a stiffening outer sheath, classified in Class 604, Subclass 524;

Group IV. Claims 65-68, 123, 124, 129-131 and 137, drawn to a deflectable catheter with an anchor hook, classified in Class 604, Subclass 103.3;

Group V. Claims 69-75, drawn to a deflectable catheter comprising a movable inner and outer housing, classified in Class 604, Subclass 95.03;

Group VI. Claims 76-85, 125 and 126, drawn to a deflectable catheter comprising a plurality of tendons, classified in Class 604, Subclass 95.04;

Group VII. Claims 86-95, drawn to a deflectable catheter with a compression cage, classified in Class 604, Subclass 103.09; and,

Group VIII. Claims 96-114, drawn to a method of making a deflectable catheter with an off-center tendon, classified in Class 604, Subclass 500.

Applicants' election

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-28, 115-122, 127, 128, 132 and 133, drawn to a deflectable catheter comprising a tendon located off-center, classified in Class 604, Subclass 093.010 or 95.04.

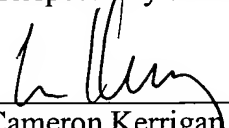
CONCLUSION

Applicants do not believe that any fee is due with this response. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount due to Squire, Sanders & Dempsey Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

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